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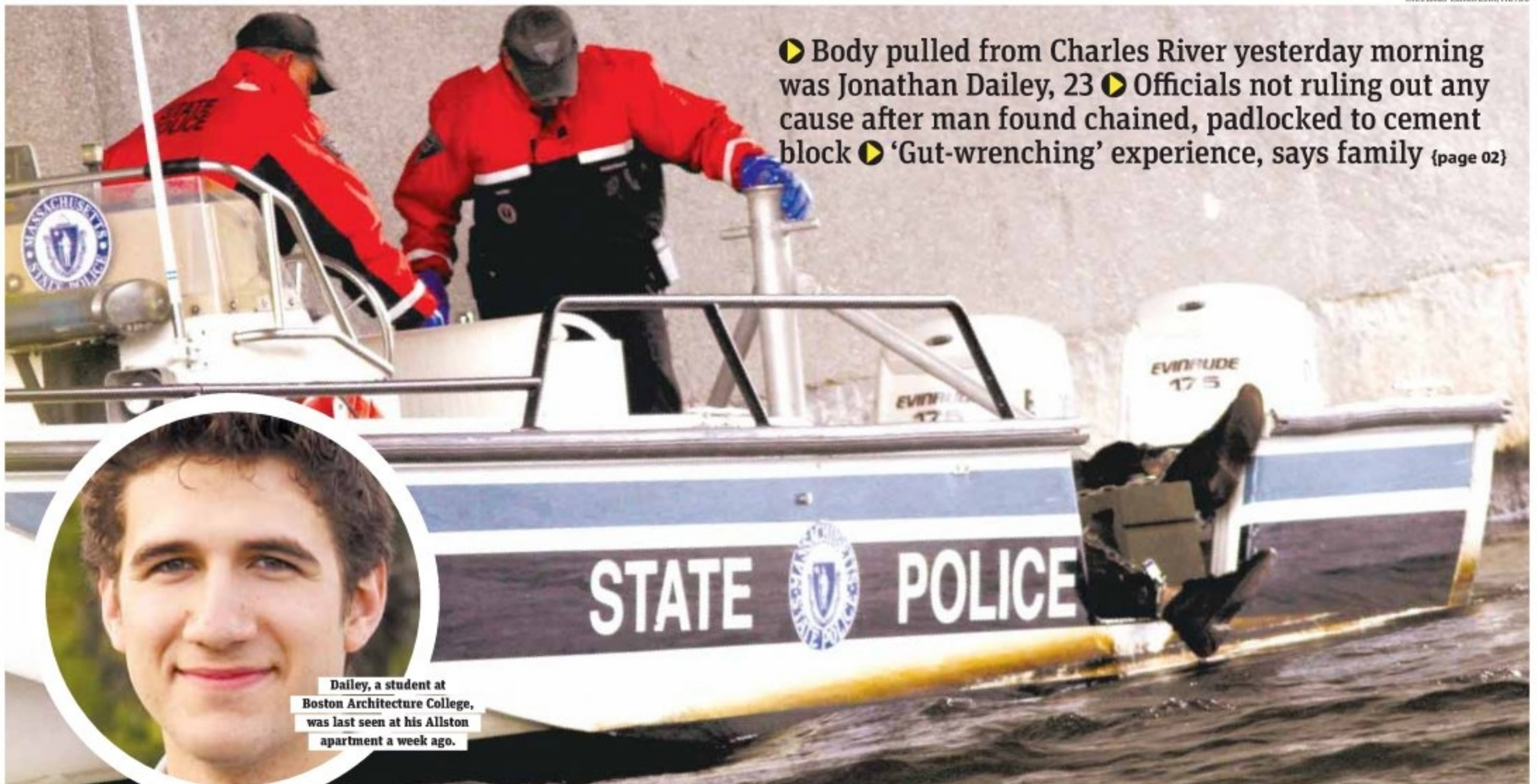
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Wednesday, October 10, 2012

Search for missing grad student ends in tragedy

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In the news

\$16.8M

The MBTA was set to hold a public meeting last night to discuss a \$16.8 million project to rebuild Boston College Station. According to the MBTA, the station will include a full canopy over the inbound platform, track relocation, installation of a diamond crossover, a mini-high and two portable lifts, and upgrades to all power, signal and communications systems. ● METRO

Today's local tweet



"Why yes, woman with 18 bags who hasn't washed her hair since 1998, please sit next to me, and not in one of the 95 open seats. #mbta"

@JACKRON312, ISN'T THAT THE WORST?

'We are in shock'

► Body of missing graduate student Jonathan Dailey, 23, found in Charles River ► He had chains, cinder block around his ankles ► Authorities say investigation ongoing, nothing being ruled out ► Last seen one week ago

The search for a missing graduate student living in Allston came to a sad end yesterday when authorities confirmed that a body found in the Charles River earlier in the day was 23-year-old Jonathan Dailey.

Dailey's body was found floating under the Boston University bridge before 8 a.m. by a college rowing coach.

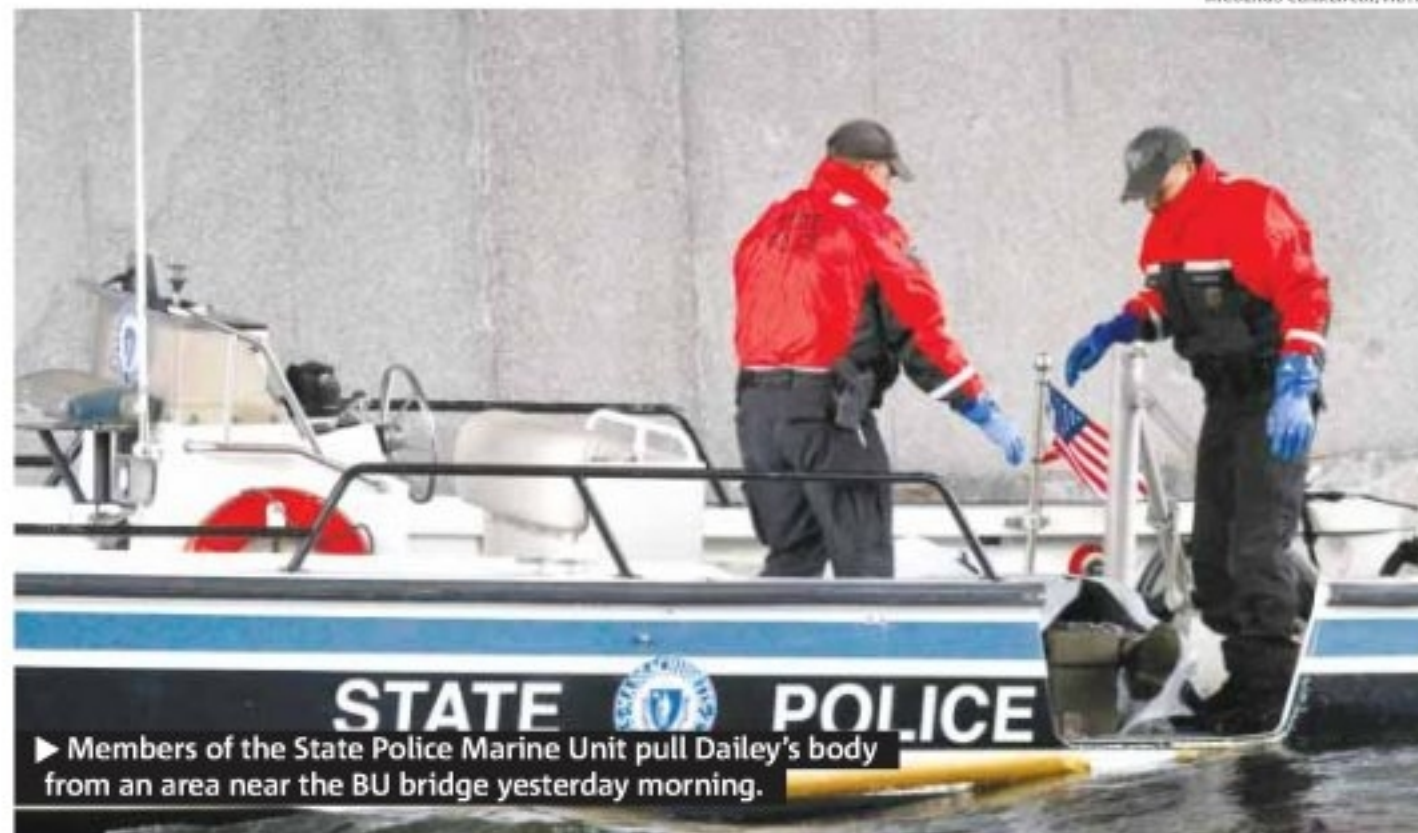
Family and friends who spent days looking for Dailey were left wondering for hours whether the body found in the river was that of their missing loved one. They finally got word about 6 p.m. and called the experience "gut-wrenching."

"We just found out that my dear brother Jonathan is with Jesus. We are in shock. Please lift us up, we are devastated," Robyn Hoffman, Dailey's sister, wrote yesterday on a Facebook page dedicated to his search.

Authorities said forensic odontologists at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner confirmed the identity through dental records.

A cause of death has not yet been determined.

"The facts and circumstances surrounding Mr. Dailey's death remain under investigation by state police detectives assigned to the Suffolk DA's office," said a statement from the Suffolk district attorney's office.



► Members of the State Police Marine Unit pull Dailey's body from an area near the BU bridge yesterday morning.

"We rule out no possibility and we promise Mr. Dailey's family a thorough, comprehensive search for the truth as we investigate his death."

State police responded to the area near the BU bridge about 8 a.m.

As members of the state police marine unit pulled Dailey's body on to their boat from the water, it appeared that his feet were attached to a chain that was looped through a cinder block. A padlock appeared to be latched to the chains on his left ankle.

Authorities said they would

Cause under

investigation

Authorities said yesterday that the cause and manner of Dailey's death has not been determined.

Dailey was originally from North Carolina and was a second

year student at the Boston Architectural College. His sister said he was taking the semester off for financial reasons.

Family members said he had no history of mental illness, no history of drugs or alcohol abuse and no girlfriend.

A family friend described Dailey as an "intelligent, sweet guy" who was a talented musician.

not comment on evidence found at or near the scene while it is being investigated.

Dailey was last seen Oct. 2 at his Allston apartment by his

roommate. He was reported missing Friday.

MICHAEL NAUGHTON
and **MORGAN ROUSSEAU**



► Dailey

Quoted

"This entire experience has been emotionally gut-wrenching, and [Tuesday's] news only increases this."

ROBYN HOFFMAN, DAILEY'S SISTER, AS THEY WAITED FOR CONFIRMATION ABOUT DAILEY'S BODY

The search

Thousands of people expressed support online and others helped post hundreds of missing person fliers around the city in the days since Dailey went missing.

A business in Dorchester yesterday plastered a missing person poster on the back of their building that faces Interstate 93.

More than 2,500 people had joined a Facebook page dedicated to the search for Dailey and others tweeted information to celebrities in an attempt to bring attention to the effort.

Bruins star Milan Lucic and indie rock jam band Dr. Dog retweeted information related to the search before it was announced his body was found. ● METRO

ICE: Boston man had gas mask, body bags at LAX

LOS ANGELES. A body-armor-clad Boston man was arrested Friday at Los Angeles International Airport after arriving on a flight from Japan, according to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement yesterday.

Yongda Huang Harris, 28, was charged with transporting hazardous materials after a search of his checked luggage turned up a smoke grenade, along with a hatchet, knives, other weapons, a gas mask, biohazard suits and body bags.

If the smoke grenade was ignited, it could potentially

fill the cabin of a commercial airplane with smoke or cause a fire, officials said.

Harris, who is a naturalized U.S. citizen of Chinese descent, was allegedly wearing a bulletproof vest and flame retardant pants underneath his trench coat.

He is charged with one count of transporting hazardous materials — a charge that carries a maximum penalty of up to five years in prison.

He was expected in federal court yesterday afternoon.

● METRO/MR

Meningitis outbreak deaths rise

FRAMINGHAM. The New England Compounding Center in Framingham has voluntarily recalled all of its products currently in circulation as the death toll from a nationwide fungal meningitis outbreak rises.

There have been 11 reported deaths from the outbreak and another 119 people in 10 states have become ill, officials said yesterday. ● METRO

AG rejects Middleboro swearing ordinance

MIDDLEBORO. A newly passed swearing ordinance in Middleboro should not be enforced, Attorney General Martha Coakley ruled yesterday.

The controversial ordinance, which would punish swearing in public by a \$20 fine, was originally part of a bylaw enacted more than 40 years ago, but was never enforced. It was decriminalized by a town vote earlier this year.

However, Coakley ruled yesterday that the "underlying bylaws" do not meet constitutional standards and should

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be repealed and in the meantime "not actively enforced," according to The Enterprise. ● METRO

Bad Art Museum sees bad behavior

► Museum of Bad Art officials say several pieces stolen ► Three works apparently taken in 5 months

A recent rash of thefts from two Museum of Bad Art locations has left museum officials appalled.

"It's disturbing," said Louise Reilly Sacco, the permanent acting interim executive director of the museum. "We're really shaken up. It's hard to know how to react to it."

Sacco said three pieces from MOBA's collection have been stolen in the last five months.

She said while doing on-site interviews with a reporter from the United Kingdom yesterday, she noticed a piece was missing from the Davis Square branch, which is located in the Somerville Theatre. During a stop at the Dedham location in the Dedham Community Theatre, Sacco noted a second miss-

The stolen works

► "The Birth of Man" by Skidlo (a convicted criminal and inmate known as Wayne Lo) is made of polyester thread embroidered on photograph paper. It was stolen from the Somerville gallery in May.

► "A Mariachi in Tiananmen Square" by Anonymous is an oil on canvas that was stolen from the Dedham location this month.

► "Velvet Elvis" was used in the museum's educational program to illustrate the differences between kitsch and art. It was stolen from the Somerville location this month.

ing piece.

While it's not the first time the free museum has had a theft, the timing has officials worried.

Sacco said before the recent thefts, there had only been two items taken from the museum's locations in more than 25 years of operation. The three recent thefts have occurred in the last five months.

She said officials are not filing police reports because of the pieces' insignificant value.

"These paintings don't have much of a monetary value and it's probably hard for the police to get excited about something with a value \$10 or \$20."

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Information

Officials posted a message on the museum's Facebook page yesterday that read: "If you are the selfish lout who took it, or have information about the piece's whereabouts, please contact: curator@museumofbadart.org." ● METRO/MN

News in brief



Both Warren, Brown leading in new polls

MASSACHUSETTS. A UMass Amherst poll released yesterday showed Democrat Elizabeth Warren with a two-point lead over Republican Sen. Scott Brown among likely voters. The lead, 48-46, was within the poll's 5 percent margin of error. A WBUR poll also released yesterday showed Brown up on Warren, 47 percent to 43 percent, within that survey's 4.4 percent margin of error. ● METRO/SHNS

Dead whale washes up on island

BOSTON. A dead finback whale that had been floating in Boston Harbor for days washed up on Rainsford Island near Hull yesterday, according to the Globe.

Officials from the New England Aquarium were on their way to the site to perform a necropsy and determine what killed the whale. BOSTON.COM

Man nabbed in Orange Line masturbation case

BOSTON. A 37-year-old Boston man was arrested around 5 p.m. Saturday after witnesses claimed to have seen him masturbating on an Orange Line train between Oak Grove and Wellington Stations. William Jones fled, but was caught by police and charged with lewd, wanton and lascivious conduct. He was expected to appear in court yesterday. ● METRO



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Upper Crust short on dough

Owners of the Upper Crust have filed for bankruptcy protection, according to a report by the Boston Globe.

The gourmet pizza chain owes at least \$3.4 million, according to the report, and defaulted on its loan to TD Bank in September.

A spokeswoman for Upper Crust told Metro yesterday that the filing will allow the

company to "allow us to continue what we do best — make superb pizza."

The pizzeria owes more than \$500,000 to a Brookline construction company, and \$229,049 to its attorney.

In 2009, the company was ordered to pay \$350,000 to more than 100 employees who sued for not being paid overtime wages. **GLOBE**



► Upper Crust pizzeria

Menino pushes public schools to move for health

NICOLAUS CZARENCEK/METRO

Quoted



"Today's students have a lot on their plates to balance, but their health is our highest priority." MENINO

"We know that kids who maintain a healthy lifestyle do better in the classroom, so it's only natural that we encourage good habits in schools."

MENINO

In yet another effort to motivate Boston to lose weight, Mayor Thomas M. Menino yesterday stopped by an East Boston elementary school to challenge kids in the public school system to get moving.

"Today's students have a lot on their plates to balance, but their health is our highest priority," Menino said while announcing that donations from Partners HealthCare, Shaw's and Star Market will support "Wellness Champions" in each public school, and help educate kids about healthy eating.

During a "Physical Education Challenge," from Oct. 15 until Nov. 9, Boston Public Schools will compete for the most steps taken by students during physical education class.

"We know that kids who maintain a healthy lifestyle do better in the classroom, so it's only natural that we encourage good habits in schools," Menino said. "This partnership is a fun and engaging way to promote healthy choices, and I want to thank Partners and Shaw's for their commitment to keeping our kids in shape."

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► Students at Hugh R. O'Donnell Elementary School in East Boston practiced running backward as part of yesterday's event.

Physical Activity Challenge

The kids will engage in a "Physical Activity Challenge," from Jan. 15 to Feb. 15, which will let students compete for the most minutes of physical activity during the school day. All of

the data collected will be logged into the Boston Moves for Health website, so city youth can contribute to meeting Menino's 10 million mile challenge.

The winning schools will get funding for curriculum and athletic equipment.

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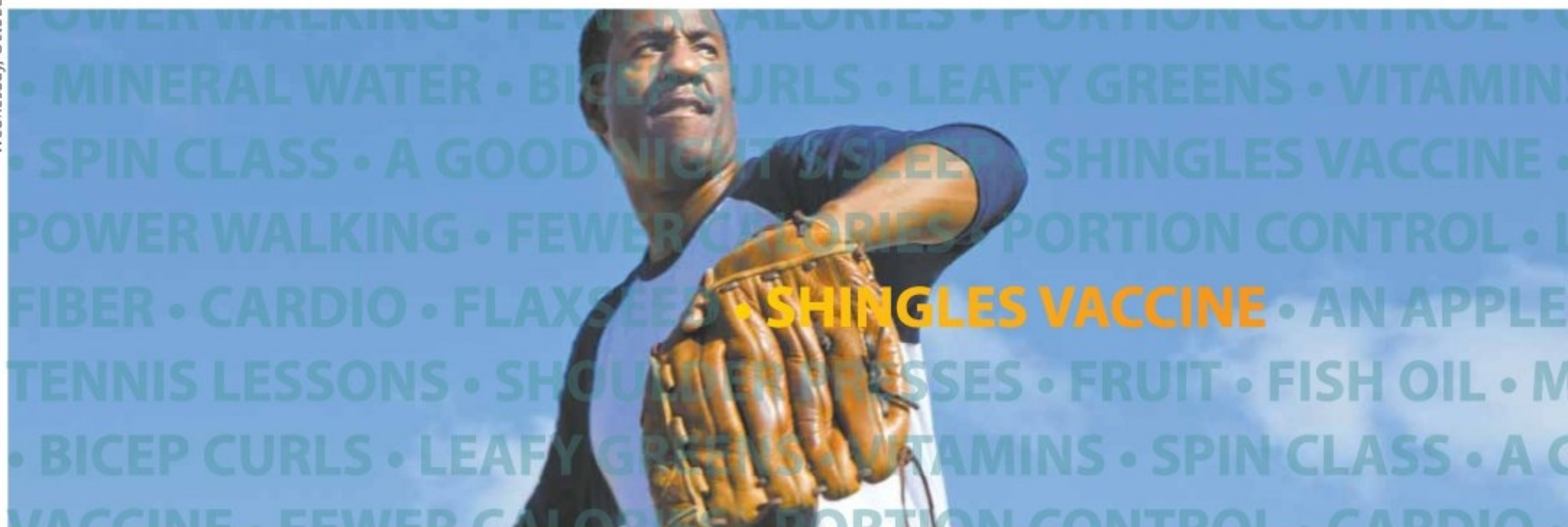


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The sooner you get vaccinated with ZOSTAVAX, the better your chances of protecting yourself from Shingles. In fact, the ACIP* of the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) recommends that appropriate adults 60 years of age and older get vaccinated to help prevent Shingles.



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ZOSTAVAX is a vaccine that is used for adults 50 years of age or older to prevent Shingles (also known as zoster).

Important Safety Information

- ZOSTAVAX does not protect everyone, so some people who get the vaccine may still get Shingles.
- You should not get ZOSTAVAX if you are allergic to any of its ingredients, including gelatin or neomycin, have a weakened immune system, take high doses of steroids, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. You should not get ZOSTAVAX to prevent chickenpox.
- Talk to your health care professional if you plan to get ZOSTAVAX at the same time as PNEUMOVAX®23 (Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent) because it may be better to get these vaccines at least 4 weeks apart.
- Possible side effects include redness, pain, itching, swelling, hard lump, warmth, or bruising at the injection site, as well as headache.
- ZOSTAVAX contains a weakened chickenpox virus. Tell your health care professional if you will be in close contact with newborn infants, someone who may be pregnant and has not had chickenpox or been vaccinated against chickenpox, or someone who has problems with their immune system. Your health care professional can tell you what situations you may need to avoid.

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You should read this summary of information about ZOSTAVAX before you are vaccinated. If you have any questions about ZOSTAVAX after reading this page, you should ask your health care provider. This information does not take the place of talking about ZOSTAVAX with your doctor, nurse, or other health care provider. Only your health care provider can decide if ZOSTAVAX is right for you.

What is ZOSTAVAX and how does it work?
ZOSTAVAX is a vaccine that is used for adults 50 years of age or older to prevent shingles (also known as zoster).

ZOSTAVAX contains a weakened chickenpox virus (varicella-zoster virus).

ZOSTAVAX works by helping your immune system protect you from getting shingles.

If you do get shingles even though you have been vaccinated, ZOSTAVAX may help prevent the nerve pain that can follow shingles in some people. ZOSTAVAX does not protect everyone, so some people who get the vaccine may still get shingles.

ZOSTAVAX cannot be used to treat shingles, or the nerve pain that may follow shingles, once you have it.

What do I need to know about shingles and the virus that causes it?
Shingles is caused by the same virus that causes chickenpox. Once you have had chickenpox, the virus can stay in your

nervous system for many years. For reasons that are not fully understood, the virus may become active again and give you shingles. Age and problems with the immune system may increase your chances of getting shingles.

Shingles is a rash that is usually on one side of the body. The rash begins as a cluster of small red spots that often blister. The rash can be painful. Shingles rashes usually last up to 30 days and, for most people, the pain associated with the rash lessens as it heals.

Who should not get ZOSTAVAX?

You should not get ZOSTAVAX if you:

- are allergic to any of its ingredients.
- are allergic to gelatin or neomycin.
- have a weakened immune system (for example, an immune deficiency, leukemia, lymphoma, or HIV/AIDS).
- take high doses of steroids by injection or by mouth.
- are pregnant or plan to get pregnant.

You should not get ZOSTAVAX to prevent chickenpox.

Children should not get ZOSTAVAX.

How is ZOSTAVAX given?

ZOSTAVAX is given as a single dose by injection under the skin.

What should I tell my health care provider before I get ZOSTAVAX?

You should tell your health care provider if you:

- have or have had any medical problems.
- take any medicines, including non-prescription medicines, and dietary supplements.
- have any allergies, including allergies to neomycin or gelatin.

- had an allergic reaction to another vaccine.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.
- are breast-feeding.

Tell your health care provider if you expect to be in close contact (including household contact) with newborn infants, someone who may be pregnant and has not had chickenpox or been vaccinated against chickenpox, or someone who has problems with their immune system. Your health care provider can tell you what situations you may need to avoid.

Can I get ZOSTAVAX with other vaccines?

Talk to your health care provider if you plan to get ZOSTAVAX at the same time as the flu vaccine.

Talk to your health care provider if you plan to get ZOSTAVAX at the same time as PNEUMOVAX®23 (Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent) because it may be better to get these vaccines at least 4 weeks apart.

What are the possible side effects of ZOSTAVAX?

The most common side effects that people in the clinical studies reported after receiving the vaccine include:

- redness, pain, itching, swelling, hard lump, warmth, or bruising where the shot was given.
- headache

The following additional side effects have been reported with ZOSTAVAX:

- allergic reactions, which may be serious and may include difficulty in breathing or swallowing. If you have an allergic reaction, call your doctor right away.
- chickenpox
- fever

- hives at the injection site
- joint pain
- muscle pain
- nausea
- rash
- rash at the injection site
- swollen glands near the injection site (that may last a few days to a few weeks)

Tell your health care provider if you have any new or unusual symptoms after you receive ZOSTAVAX. For a complete list of side effects, ask your health care provider.

Call 1-800-986-8999 to report any exposure to ZOSTAVAX during pregnancy.

What are the ingredients of ZOSTAVAX?

Active Ingredient: a weakened form of the varicella-zoster virus.

Inactive Ingredients: sucrose, hydrolyzed porcine gelatin, sodium chloride, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate dibasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride.

This page summarizes important information about ZOSTAVAX. If you would like more information, talk to your health care provider or visit the website at www.ZOSTAVAX.com or call 1-800-622-4477.

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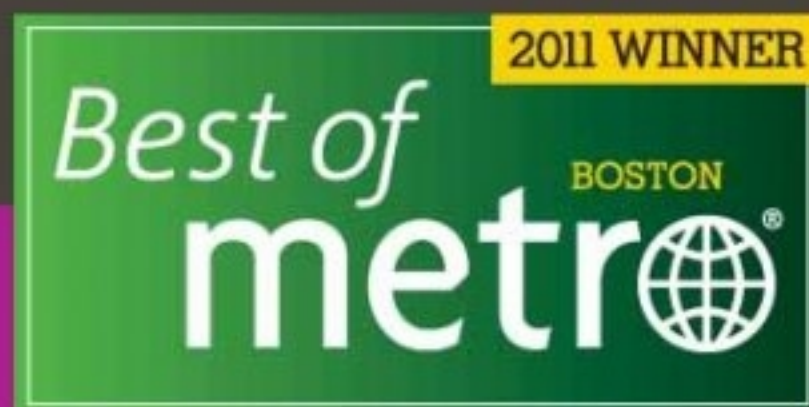
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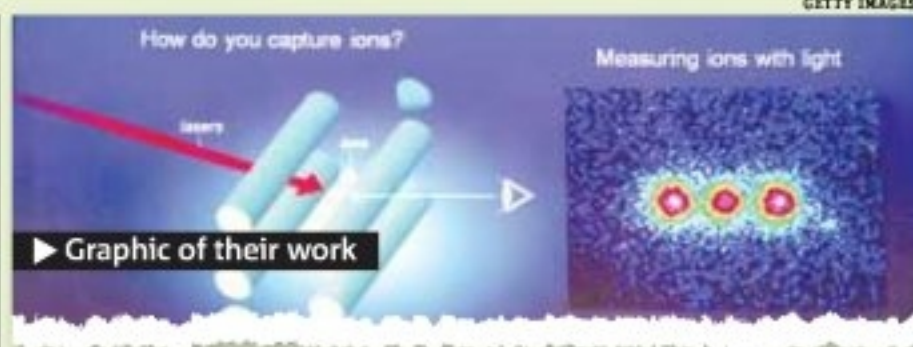
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In the news

Nobel for quantum physics 'parlor trick'

STOCKHOLM. A French and an American scientist won the Nobel Prize yesterday for finding ways to measure quantum particles without destroying them,



► Graphic of their work

which could make it possible to build a new kind of computer far more powerful than any

seen before.

Serge Haroche of France and American David Wineland,

both 68, found ways to manipulate the very smallest particles of matter and light to observe strange behavior that previously could only be imagined in equations and thought experiments.

Wineland has described his own work as a "parlor trick" that performed the seemingly magical feat of putting an object in two places at once.

REUTERS

Sandusky gets 30-60 years in prison for child abuse



► Jerry Sandusky leaves the Centre County Courthouse after being sentenced yesterday in Bellefonte, Pa.

Quotes from the victims at the sentencing

"I will never erase the images of his naked body on mine."

"He took away my childhood the day he assaulted me."

Former Pennsylvania State University football coach Jerry Sandusky was ordered to spend at least 30 years in prison on Tuesday for sexually abusing at-risk boys for more than a decade, a sentence likely to keep him behind bars until he dies.

Defiantly maintaining his innocence, the 68-year-old retired defensive coordinator listened as several of his victims recounted their pain to the packed courtroom. Then, he told the court: "I did not do these alleged, disgusting acts."

Sandusky stood motionless in a red prison jumpsuit, his back to the courtroom audience and his wife, Dottie, while Judge John Cleland handed down the 30- to 60-year sentence. It would make him at least 98 years old before being eligible for parole.

"Your crime is not only what you did to their bodies, but your assault on their psyche and their souls," Cleland told him at the hearing in Centre County Court. "The tragedy of this story is it is a story of betrayal. Some of your victims

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Jerry Sandusky was convicted in June on 45 counts of child sex abuse for molesting 10 boys over 15 years; some of the abuse occurred in the football team's showers on the Penn State campus.

had a genuine affection for you.

"It is precisely that ability to conceal those vices from yourself and everyone else that in my view makes you dangerous," he said.

His victims accused him of fondling, as well as oral and anal abuse. One recalled screaming in vain for help in the basement of Sandusky's home.

The scandal highlighted the devastating issue of child sex abuse and raised pointed questions about the motivation of people who knew about Sandusky's behavior but failed for years to report it. **REUTERS**

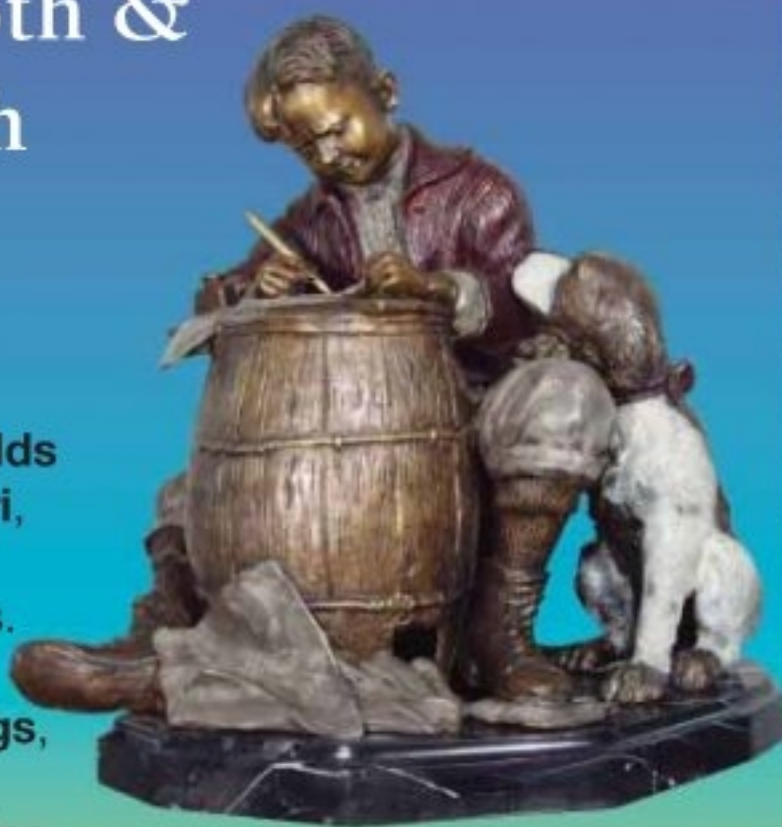
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Skydive delayed due to strong winds

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► Austrian daredevil Felix Baumgartner will have to wait until another day for his free fall.

An Austrian daredevil called off his death-defying skydive from a balloon 23 miles over the New Mexico desert yesterday because of winds at the launch site.

Felix Baumgartner, a helicopter pilot, hot-air balloonist and professional skydiver, was preparing to break a longstanding altitude record.

But his team announced the launch had been aborted moments after Baumgartner's balloon was set to carry him aloft over Roswell, N.M.

Team spokeswoman Sarah Anderson later said no new launch attempt would be made before tomorrow. She said today had been ruled out due to weather concerns and to give Baumgartner's support crew a day off.

Winds were about 17 mph when the balloon launch was canceled at 1:43 p.m.

Supersonic free fall

Baumgartner's goal is to break the record of 102,800 feet for the highest-altitude free fall, a milestone set in 1960 by U.S. Air Force Col. Joe Kittinger.

As he falls from 120,000 feet, Baumgartner would also break the sound barrier. With virtually no air to resist his fall, he was expected to reach

the speed of sound, which is 690 mph at that altitude, after about 35 seconds of free fall.

He would stay supersonic for nearly a minute and should free fall for a total of 5 minutes and 35 seconds.

Baumgartner's safety gear includes his custom space suit that will protect him from low pressure and the extreme cold. Temperatures are expected to be as low as about minus 70 degrees Fahrenheit. **REUTERS**

The 30-million-cubic-foot plastic balloon, which is about one-tenth the thickness of a Ziploc bag, cannot handle winds greater than 6 miles per hour.

Baumgartner would be the first parachutist to break the sound barrier but not the first person to fall faster than the

speed of sound. On Jan. 25, 1966, Bill Weaver, a test pilot aboard an SR-71 Blackbird aircraft, was ejected over the United States from his damaged plane at Mach 3.18 — more than three times faster than the speed of sound — and survived. **REUTERS**

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Surveys conflict over who has the edge

Two recent national polls showed one of the presidential candidates moving ahead of the other.

They just couldn't agree on which one.

A Pew Research Center survey of likely voters conducted from Oct. 4 to Oct. 7 gave Republican nominee Mitt Romney a four percentage point lead over President Barack Obama.

A Gallup poll of registered voters Oct. 2 to Oct. 8 showed Obama ahead of Romney by



► Even the polls can't agree on who's the better candidate.

Candidates reach out to core groups

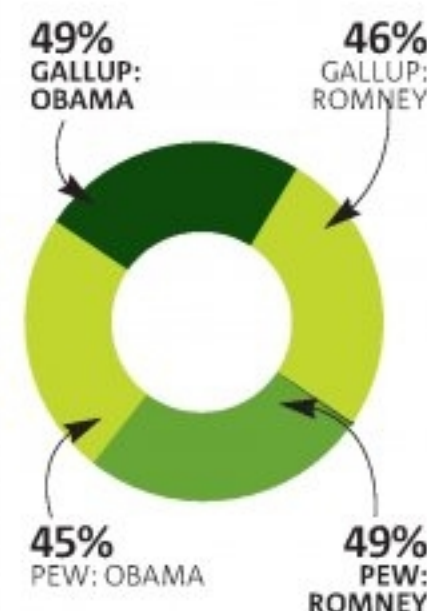
With polls showing the election tightening, Mitt Romney and Barack Obama are appealing to core constituencies, with the Republican challenger using two visits in Virginia to reach out to military voters and the president wooing Hispanic support at the Cesar Chavez monument in California. **BLOOMBERG**

three points after, in a shorter tracking survey of three days immediately following their Oct. 3 debate, it called the race a tie.

The results underscore the lack of clarity in an environment in which, almost every day, new polls are released that vary depending on how voters are contacted, how they are counted and other variables tied to an individual polling group's approach to conducting surveys.

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Conflicting polls



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DEBATES DO CHANGE SOME MINDS

Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney's drubbing of President Obama at last week's debate in Denver was a game-changer for the presidential campaign, new polling confirms. National tracking polls and surveys of key swing states show Romney leveled the playing field, nipping a once-growing Obama lead and making a GOP victory a far more realistic possibility than it was just a week ago.

In one of the most dramatic shifts, Pew Research reported Monday that Romney not only erased Obama's 8 percentage point lead in its most recent poll of likely voters, but now leads the president by 4 percentage points, a 12-point swing in a matter of days since the debate. Romney now leads Obama 49 percent to 45 percent, according to Pew, which also found that by a 3-to-1 margin voters believe Romney dominated the Oct. 3 debate.

Other polls showed similar, if less dramatic results.

"My polling shows that Obama lost a 4-point lead within 48 hours," Ron Faucheux, president of Clarus Research Group, told The Washington Examiner.

Faucheux and other pollsters are now waiting to see if Romney's poll numbers will shift again after the debate Thursday between Vice President Biden and Romney's running mate, Paul Ryan.

For now, though, Romney's breakout debate performance has boosted him in crucial swing states he needs to win if he's going to oust Obama in November.

A Susquehanna Polling and Research survey released Monday showed the race now statistically tied in Pennsylvania. But the poll also found that 76 percent of those surveyed had watched the first presidential debate, and 2 percent of them said they had actually switched their support from Obama to Romney based on their debate performances.

The polling data are "clear evidence the debates have helped solidify the Keystone State as a tossup election in November — and one well within Romney's reach," said Susquehanna President Jim Lee.

Polls taken since the Oct. 3 debate show the race

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virtually tied in the swing states of Virginia, Colorado and Florida. And Romney has nearly completely erased Obama's lead in Ohio, a state Romney must win if he's going to win the White House, new polls show.

One of the largest shifts nationally in the race was recorded by Gallup, which found in a poll released Monday that Obama lost 5 percentage points among registered voters since the debate, and is now tied with Romney at 47 percent.

Close to 70 million people watched Obama and Romney debate for the first time, and 72 percent of those polled by Gallup rated Romney the winner — compared with just 20 percent who thought Obama did the better job. Even Democrats thought Romney did better, giving him a 10-point margin over Obama. Romney's overall margin of victory was the largest ever recorded by Gallup, the firm reported.

"The debate appears to have affected voters to some degree, given the narrowing of the race in the three days after the debate compared with the three days prior," Gallup reported Monday.

A second poll released by Gallup showed Obama up by 5 percentage points after a new jobs report was released Friday showing the unemployment rate dropping below 8 percent.

Romney's wife, Ann, told WTOP-FM on Monday that the debate offered voters "a completely unfiltered view" of her husband that ran counter to the barrage of negative campaign ads put on by the Obama administration.

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Love and latex: Get the buzz on Beantown's BDSM culture

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The sex issue



► Hubba Hubba seems to have all the leather you could long for.

Kinky sex play like BDSM is not something you typically talk about while riding the T — but after talking to a few local aficionados, there is no doubt that the edgy trend has been going strong in Boston's underground for years.

"I think people like to push the limits. We all want to do things that we haven't done before," said Rain Hageman, manager of the Hubba Hubba sex shop in Cambridge.

For decades, the store in Central Square has flaunted the city's kinkiest gear: corsets, latex, vibrators, anal beads, whips, feathers — the works.

And the people looking to get their hands on it ranges from the girl next door, to the granny upstairs.

"You'd be surprised at the people who come in here and are into [BDSM] — every sort of person," Hageman said.

Hubba Hubba's owner, Suzan Phelps, believes that the



► Miss Piggy turn you on?

little taste of danger is what draws people to BDSM.

"It's good to explore your fears, and everybody has a little secret side to them that wants a little something other than loving missionary sex. It's just a chance to express another side of one's self," she said.

Her employee, Nancy Neon, couldn't be happier that more Bostonians of all shapes and sizes are coming out of the

woodwork, something she credits to the top-selling novel "Fifty Shades of Grey."

"It's almost like it's given people permission to explore the kinkier side of themselves. Things that used to be considered 'fringe activities' are now more mainstream," Neon said, adding that the hit HBO show "Sex and the City" "opened the door" more than a decade ago.

Neon says many newcomers shyly inch into the store, saying they're buying the sex-themed merchandise "for a friend." Others come in to buy "gag gifts" for a pal's bachelorette party, but they end up leaving with gifts for themselves.

"There is nothing better than somebody coming in here and trying on corsets and fetish clothes and seeing themselves as sexy and beautiful in a way they've never seen before."

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BDSM, FYI:

► Stands for Bondage & Discipline, Dominance & Submission, Sadism & Masochism
► In these consensual relationships, people take on a role of

dominant or submissive, and play with restriction, discipline and punishment.
► The "Dom" is in charge, and the "Sub" is in a position of vulnerability.
► Some of the most popular "beginner" items for BDSM

newbies are small whips, corsets and cuffs.
► Some of the newest kinky trends are anal and prostate stimulation and burlesque-style getups.
► Fetlife.com is like Facebook for "kinksters."

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► We interviewed 2,500 readers about your most intimate secrets
► Here's what you revealed

What's your kink of choice?

You really enjoy your public displays of affection: An overwhelming 42 percent of survey responders admitted to having sex outdoors or in public. And, while your parents might have told you not to play with your food, now that you're an adult you enjoy bringing the edibles into the bedroom (21 percent).

Three's never a crowd: 13 percent of you have dabbled in a menage a trois. (Are 13 percent of you lying?)

About 14 percent have tried the dominant game while 10 percent have played the submissive, and an especially sexually adventurous 4 percent of you have tried on some S&M

gear. Playing with candles (4 percent) didn't light your fire as much as playing with butt plugs (9 percent). And a select few of you (4 percent) have a few sexy secrets that weren't even mentioned.

Note to the 34 percent of you who said you weren't kinky: Experiment. If butt plugs are too adventurous, maybe try food in bed — you probably eat there anyway.

What kind of erotica do you enjoy?

About a quarter (27 percent of you) don't need outside materials to turn you on. But when it comes to your sexual media, the majority of you head on-



► Survey says: "Let's get it on."

line. Forty-five percent get excited from videos and Web clips, with a small portion of responders preferring to watch

sex acts live (4 percent).

Erotic fiction tickles the fancy for 15 percent, while a tiny percent of you are hanging on

the phone (2 percent). About 7 percent are lovers of the arts — pornographic photography art, that is.

Why is 'Fifty Shades' such a big deal?

For 10 percent of responders, you felt the most appealing part the "Fifty Shades" series was the fact that reading about sex is empowering. However, a lot of you also believed the books had people hooked because it made submissive fantasies more mainstream (8 percent).

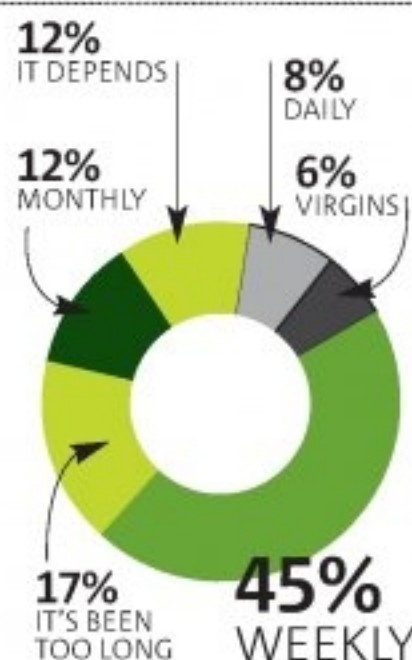
Five percent couldn't ignore that the books' popularity was probably due to the connection to "Twilight," while 6 percent felt the fantasy series' basis in reality was what made so many people to read it.

Three percent felt the reason that "Fifty Shades" was so popular was because it was available on e-book, allowing readers to peruse steamy scenes anywhere — even while riding public transportation. ● MWN

They've gotta have it

How often do you have sex?

Look at the person next to you. Wink. Today may be your lucky day: 45 percent said they get busy weekly, which beat daily (8 percent) and monthly (12 percent) for the top spot. Only 1 percent have sex yearly, and 12 percent didn't know or said "it depends," but second place actually went to: "It's been too long since the last time" (17 percent). Sorry, folks. May we introduce you to some virgins (6 percent)?

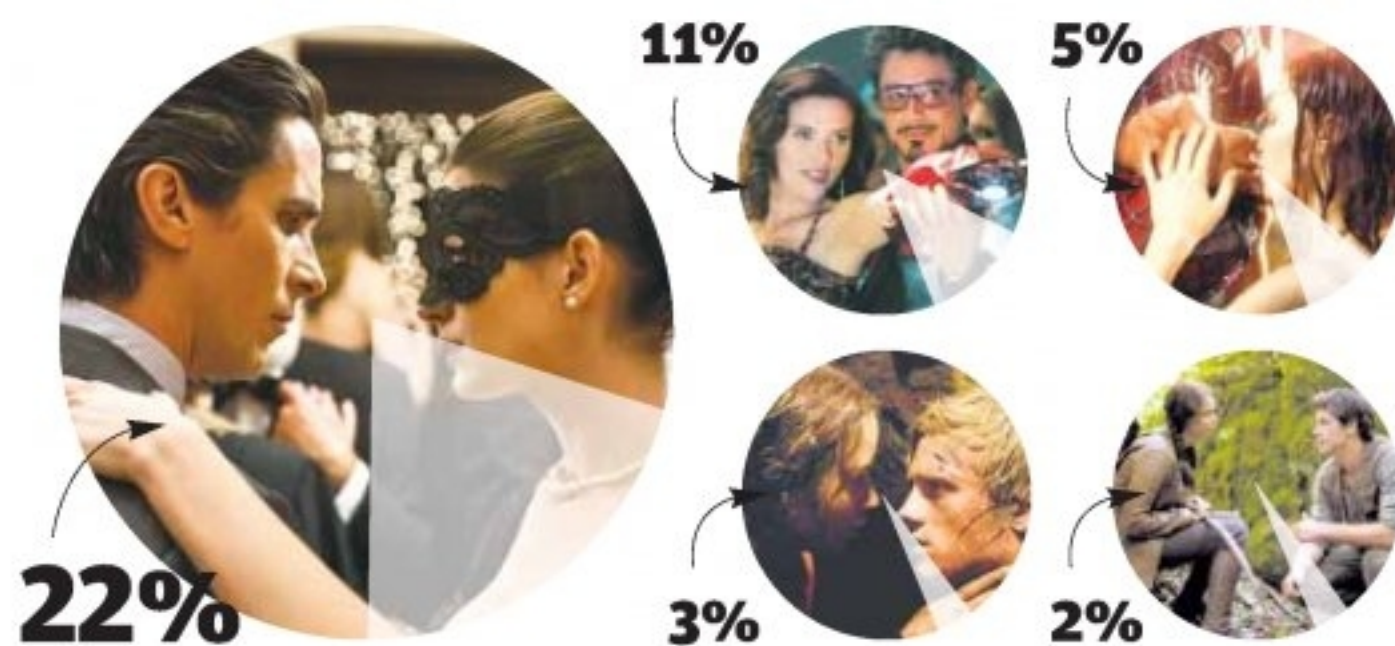


Sweet, sweet fantasy

What fictional characters do you want to see getting it on?

Light the bat signal: 22 percent of you want to see Batman and Catwoman get busy. Marvel heroes Iron Man and Black Widow aren't that far behind (11 percent), but you weren't so interested in seeing Spider-Man finally land Gwen Stacy (5 percent).

For you "Hunger Games" fans, Katniss and Peeta (3 percent) beat out Katniss and Gale (2 percent).



Quiz

What kind of lover are you?

1 Do you like to try new sex positions?

- A Only ones where my Snugglebutt and I can gaze longingly into each other's eyes.
- B Nah, I know what works for me.
- C I open my copy of the "Kama Sutra" almost as much as my legs.

2 Lights on or off?

- A Candles, but of course!



► Snugglebutt is such a romantic.

- B Does (s)he look fat? Then shut 'em off. Ruins my mojo.
- C Hmm. Well, the lights usually flash on AND off at the Happy Hardcore sex club.

3 What goes through your head during sex?

- A Love me, love me, say that you love me.
- B Let's get to my stuff, already.
- C I wonder if (s)he'll notice me reading the news on my iPhone?

4 Favorite background sex music?

- A "2 Become 1," The Spice Girls. Or the "50 Shades of Grey" audiobook.
- B "(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction," The Rolling Stones.
- C "Trapped in the Closet," Chapter 9. A midget.

5 You prefer to sleep ...

- A In something lacy, silky or soft.
- B Alone.
- C In a choke-hold.

6 Who's your all-time fave celebrity couple?

- A William and Kate, the duke and duchess of Cambridge.
- B Jack Nicholson and ... whoever he wanted.
- C Angelina Jolie and Billy Bob Thornton.

7 Mid-shagging you get the sense that your lover isn't into it. You:

- A Reach for more warming lavender massage oil. Mmmm.
- B Don't notice, don't care.
- C Loosen his/her chains.

8 What was your favorite childhood activity?

- A Watching your favorite Disney fairy tale on repeat.
- B A tea party alone.
- C The swings.

Answer key

Mostly A's. You're a romantic. Consider adding a little edge, though. And stop calling people Snugglebutt.

Mostly B's. You're selfish (and a little rude). We're kind of attracted.

Mostly C's. You're kinky. Roll up this newspaper and spank someone.

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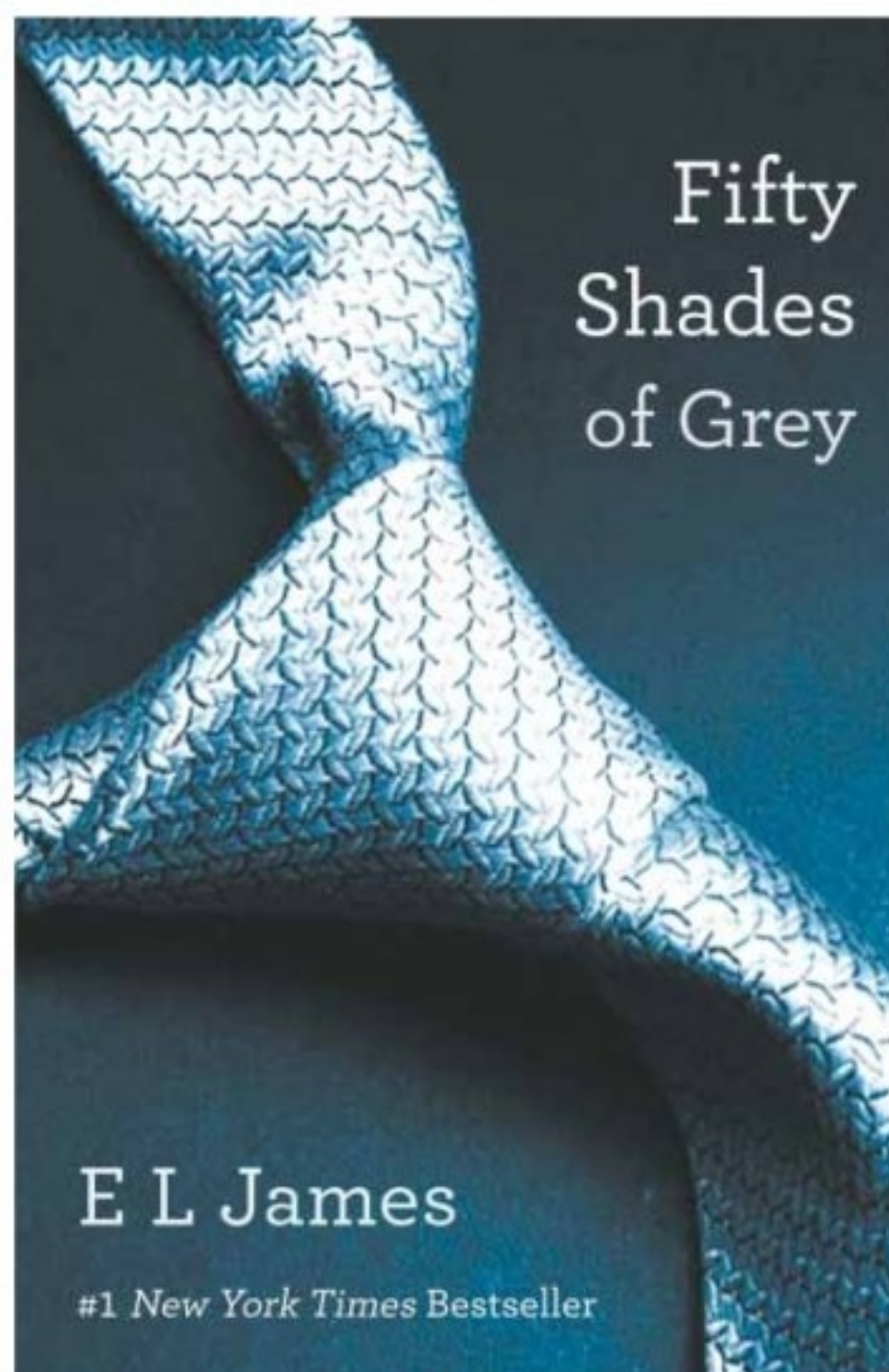
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E.L. James on 'Fifty Shades of Grey': 'It's all about fantasies'



► Writer Erika Leonard, better known as E.L. James, is a certified worldwide phenomenon ► Her erotic trilogy – 'Fifty Shades of Grey' is the title of the first book – has sparked conversations about sex not often had in public ► The author on success, her popular characters and talking BDSM to Hollywood producers

Is the success of your books a big surprise?

Surprise? It's a shock! I was especially surprised by the speed with which it traveled the world. The contract for mass publication was signed with Random House on March 7, and the first book was already in the shops in the first week of April.

"Fifty Shades" started out as an online publication. Now it has sold 15 million copies worldwide.

The numbers are staggering. The rights have been sold to 41 countries, the film rights are sold. And all of that happened in only a short period of time. It keeps surprising me.

Everybody talks about the women who are enjoying the books. Do you have any male readers?

More and more men read my books. Sometimes they say things like: 'Thanks a lot for what your books have done to my wife. ... Wow!' A while ago, a 71-year-old man wrote me to thank me. My books made him remember what it feels like to fall in love. That was so cute.

Aren't men embarrassed to admit they've read your books? They don't tell me they are. But I am embarrassed when men read it, because I didn't write the books for men.

Why is it embarrassing? Because it's all about fantasies. When you go out with your friends and you discuss things

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"I don't like to talk about sex when there are men around. Imagine me in a group of Hollywood producers who talk about orgasms!"

E.L. JAMES

like sex, I feel totally comfortable. But when you're with a group of men ... I don't like to talk about sex when there are men around. Imagine me with a group of Hollywood producers who talk about orgasms!

Did you have to explain the female orgasm to them?

No, that was not the case. I was embarrassed because of the words you use when you discuss these things. It felt uncomfortable.

But you wrote those exact same words down in a book.

I didn't write this book for men. Moreover, I wrote for myself. I had a great time writing it. One of the things I've learned is that I'm not the only person with these fantasies. That feels good.

Did you have the fantasies because you were writing this story? Or did you start writing because you already had these fantasies?

Good question. I think it was a combination of the two. We've all dreamed of a partner who is so terribly rich that he can buy anything you want. But the kinky sex stuff really was a fantasy. Although, after doing some research, it might not be just fantasies.

Is it the kinky sex stuff that made the book so popular?

Partially, I think. There is so much fiction out there with kinky sex in it. People like the sex, but they especially like the passionate love story. It was the love story that held it together for me.

Did you put in all the sex in order to avoid the cliché love story?

Not at all. I started writing with the idea: When you meet someone who is into BDSM [bondage, discipline, sadism and masochism] and you are not up for it, what will happen? I had read some things about BDSM and I thought: 'Ooh, this is hot!' Would I ever do such a thing? My fantasies ran wild.

But your main character, Christian, likes BDSM for a reason.

If he hadn't met Ana, he would have been fairly happy with his life as it was. But there was a huge gap; he's a lonely guy. Yes, there are specific reasons why he likes kinky sex because of issues from the past. Yet, there are more than enough people in the BDSM community who have had a fantastic childhood and still enjoy kinky sex. And



as long as it's safe and with common sense, I don't see a problem.

Was it better for the story for Christian to have all those issues?

Of course! He wouldn't have been interested in Ana for a start. I think his attitude toward women changes in the course of the novel. He needs her.

He is really annoyed by her questioning though. Perhaps the readers are annoyed by it

Q&A

What does your husband think of all the commotion?

He loves it! He reads all the reviews and interviews, and when he reads something funny he will show me. He has been very supportive all along. And it has triggered him to write a novel himself. He writes for a living; [a] dra-

ma series for television. And I've been pushing him to write a book for 20 years already. But it took me to write one first.

Did you ask him for advice?

Certainly. He came up with some suggestions that I otherwise would never have used.

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► Author E. L. James says the love story of "Fifty Shades of Grey" is what has made the series so popular. Well, that, and the kinky sex.

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'Fifty Shades' fallout

- You — and everyone else — read the book
- What are the lasting effects of the best-selling series?



► Women are taking charge of their sexual fantasies.

With its bedroom banter, bondage scenarios and detailed explanations of what goes where, "50 Shades of Grey" has gone from a cultural must-read to the book your mother-in-law brought on vacation. With the initial hype dying down, what will be the long-lasting impact?

Expect an era where women can be more open than ever about what they enjoy in the bedroom — often taking charge of the fantasies themselves — according to experts. Sarah Forbes, a curator with the Museum of Sex in New York, says that she has ob-

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"There is a lack of healthy direct discussion about sexual issues. Pop culture is not representative."

WENDY MALTZ, SEX THERAPIST AND AUTHOR OF "THE PORN TRAP"

served more women writing erotic fan fiction online (which is how "Fifty Shades" began, as a "Twilight" spinoff). She chalked it up to women, more than men, needing to be stimu-

lated mentally as much as physically. Writing about sexual daydreams or drawing sensual fan art can be an erotic experience. The success of "Fifty Shades" legitimized the form.

"It can just be fun and playful," Forbes says of using erotica as a creative outlet. "It lets people create a relationship with these icons of our popular culture."

Sex therapist Wendy Maltz points out that society has been "very repressed and uncomfortable" about the topic of sexuality, so fan fiction is a way to lighten the mood. It can open up discussion about people's real-life likes and dislikes, but this is only the starting point.

"There is a lack of healthy direct discussion about sexual issues," Maltz says. "There is a difference between what are the real needs sexually for men in the general population and the more sensational extreme presentations that come out and are put into the mainstream pop culture and are not representative of real satisfaction to people in the long run."

You now have 'permission'

The experts we spoke to recommended defining yourself against these forms of media, rather than being defined by them.

► Dr. Stephen Snyder, a sex specialist and sex therapist, has seen an increased openness among women to

explore their sexual sides. "Fifty Shades of Grey" has given women "permission" to explore explicit sexual fantasies, he says. The book might even improve your relationship, with a catch: "We'd probably need the men to read it too," Snyder says. "There's much that men can learn from Christian Grey about what women need, such as [expressing] his desire for his partner in words."

as well?

I wanted to get under his skin and I could do that by Ana's questioning. She pushes him to expose himself. And for him, it's interesting to be challenged in that way. It's new for him and scary. Everyone thinks Ana is strong, but she isn't. She is weak and he is fragile. Ana is sexually a virgin, while Christian is a virgin emotionally.

All three books are true page-turners. Did you write like that on purpose?

It's a coincidence. I started by writing a chapter with the most awful cliff-hanger. Online readers had to wait for another week for the next chapter. Many people responded to that. That was fantastic. I really liked being a terrible tease.

Ana studied English literature. Was that for a reason?

Yes, because I'm British! The story started out as "Twilight" fan fiction, so I write about American characters. I figured that, if Ana studied British liter-

ature, I had an excuse when a Britishism slipped through.

So, what will be next?

I would like to rewrite the first novel I ever wrote. It still needs a lot of work, and I'm looking forward to that. But it's impossible to find the time to write at this moment. Besides, I'm exhausted. I'm looking forward to my holidays.



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metro the sex issue

► Armed with a filthy magazine, our reporter headed out in uptight London to see if 'Grey' fans saw any difference between hard-core erotica and hard-core porn



► Though they'll read "Fifty Shades of Grey" anywhere, fans appear less likely to read a porn magazine in public.

'FIFTY SHADES OF GREY' VS. THE REAL S&M

First-person

Most mornings on the subway, you can peer over the shoulder of someone reading "Fifty Shades of Grey" and see the following two words: Butt.

Plug.

Yes, a book this filthy is apparently an acceptable read, even during rush hour. Which led me to wonder, what if I flat-out read porn? Down-and-dirty S&M porn, in a public place, during workday hours? What's the difference? It's illegal to do so in London, but I gave it a shot, approaching fans of "Fifty

Shades" to ask them: Are you into this?

Stop I: A public park

I head to London's grassy Soho Square, where Lily, 21, a PR assistant, sits on a bench reading "Fifty Shades." "Everyone's reading it, so I've no reason to be ashamed," she says. Sensing my moment, I whip out the

magazine Taboo, which promises (and delivers) "29 XXX beauties hurt and squirt." On the cover is a handcuffed redhead with a ball gag.

Lily unabashedly flicks through it. "I don't think women respond to reading erotic material in the same way that men do," she says. "Men need porn to be visual. They need s— like this because they respond to the images more."

"They want things quicker, and if something turns them on, it's instant," she says, pointing to her own groin. "Women have a bit more control. And if you saw someone on the tube reading a magazine showing a girl with her vagina out, it would be a bit of an issue."

Let's find out.

Stop II: The subway

At the Kings Cross St. Pancras station, curiosity got the best of 23-year-old architect Sophie, who is already on page 100 of "Grey." "I'd never read any erotica before, but I started reading 'Fifty Shades' because I wanted to know what all the hype was about," she says. "I just didn't

Stop III: The sushi bar

Reading "Fifty Shades" on her lunch break, financial PR rep Louise, 29, doesn't think the book is that extraordinary, calling it a trashy romance. "There are plenty of other novels out there that are just like it, but the whole 'mommy porn' connotation has made it a lot more acceptable and approachable," says Louise.

Acceptable, and yet ... she's reading "Fifty Shades" on her Kindle rather than in paperback.

"I can't help but feel a little bit awkward and self-conscious when I'm reading it," she admits. "It feels safer this way." I show her Taboo.

She takes a step back, flips through it, and stops on a close-up of what appears to be a clitoris ring. "A couple of straps and handcuffs — fine. But if someone read this sort of porn in public," she says, "I'd find it very shocking."

I leave her and she picks up her Kindle, back to a safer world where butt plugs are mentioned but not seen.

ROMINA MCGUINNESS

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Quoted: Lily, a fan

"Women have a bit more control. And if you saw someone on the tube reading a magazine showing a girl with her vagina out, it would be a bit of an issue."

expect it to be so ... sexy. I don't think I've even gotten to the really raunchy bits yet."

When I whip out Taboo, she gets fidgety and flustered. "If I saw anyone reading a porn magazine on the tube, I'd be like, 'OMG, why are you doing this in front of everyone!'" Her face scrunches up with offense, but the girl is curious and flips through the entire magazine. She eventually admits there's not much difference between it and "Fifty Shades." "You're still reading it or watching it because you want to. Just in a different way," she says.

Celebrities

+ S&M

There have been and always will be rumors about the secret sexual proclivities of celebrities — sorry, Richard Gere (or sorry, gerbil) — but some A-listers have been more candid than others when it comes to actually fessing up. With "Fifty Shades of Grey" piquing the interest of readers worldwide in the kinkier side of life, we take a look at some of Hollywood's biggest names who aren't afraid to admit to a little adventurousness.



1 Angelina Jolie "I had started having sex, and that sex didn't feel like enough," she once said, recounting an experience with a high school boyfriend. "In kind of a moment of wanting to find something honest, I grabbed a knife and I cut him and he cut me back."

2 Rihanna The hit singer put out an album called "S&M," so it was only natural the subject would come up at some point. "I think I'm a bit masochistic," she said in an interview with Rolling Stone. "I love to be tied up and spanked. I like to be whipped. But I prefer to be spontaneous. Using whips and chains is too planned — you have to stop and look for the whip. I prefer them to use their hands."

3 Nicole Kidman She told GQ that she and Keith Urban have investigated their relationship from multiple angles: "I've explored strange sexual fetish stuff," Kidman told the magazine.

4 Eva Longoria Former "Desperate Housewives" star Longoria certainly knew how to keep herself satisfied when she was married to Tony Parker. "I'm not averse to being tied up with silk scarves," she told Cosmopolitan.

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The porn problem: Too much of a good thing may be bad for you

► Hey, stud — those videos may be ruining your sex life ► Signs that explicit material may be damaging

While you're reading "Fifty Shades of Grey," your husband might be watching casting-couch videos online. Should you be worried? Should he?

Because the Internet makes porn so prevalent, more people are being diagnosed with sexual disorders related to explicit materials, according to sex therapist Wendy Maltz. Maltz co-wrote a book with her husband called "The Porn

Trap," directly addressing the issues that arise when too much smut is in the home.

"It's so easy to get porn," Maltz explains. "All the old barriers have been brought down ... and people are developing a sexual relationship with it."

For some, having an intimate relationship with porn can lead to problems when it comes to sexual performance, including how they function in the bedroom or difficulties when it comes to ejaculating. It can also create confusion in relationships. People may come to expect behavior they see in sexually explicit films as regular activities, when in fact it's far from the norm. There's also the argument that it can encourage bad behavior, including degradation of women or the abuse of children.

That doesn't mean that every person watching porn is destined to be a sexual deviant. Maltz acknowledges

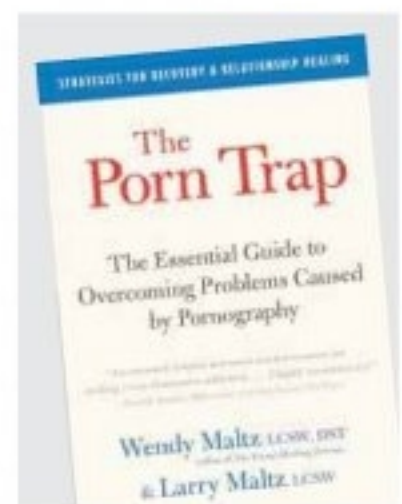
"All the old barriers have been brought down. [Porn is] easy to get, and people are developing a sexual relationship with it." WENDY MALTZ

that most people will be able to view adult material without any repercussions. She points out that it can be an educational tool to help bring couples together, especially when it teaches how to give a sensual massage or how to try a new technique. Still, there's always the danger that too much porn can be harmful.

"It has that potential for a certain percentage of the population to create some very serious problems," she says.

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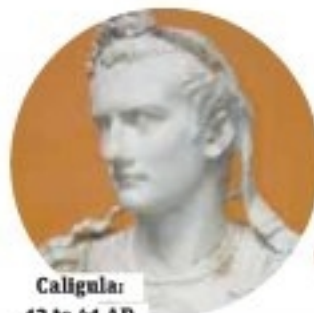
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► It's OK to look — just not to the point of developing a sexual relationship with porn.

Timeline: More scandalous than 'Fifty Shades'

- **A.D. 12 to 41**
Roman emperor Caligula hosted orgies where he was known to have sex with his sisters as well as pimp them out to some of his guests.
- **15th century**
The Asian upper class made condoms out of oiled silk paper or lamb intestines in China and tortoise shell or animal horn in Japan. Both forms of contraception only covered the tip of the penis.
- **Mid-1600s to mid-1700s**
Sultan Moulay Ismail Ibn Sharif holds the world record



Caligula:
12 to 41 AD



Good vibrations: 1869



First-known case of AIDS:
1959



The intern:
1995



Cowa-Bunga:
2010



Mald, not to order: 2011

for fathering anywhere from 867 (confirmed) to 1,042 (rumored) children with his 500 wives. Some historians estimate he would have had to have sex with 4.8 women once a day for 40 years to have that many offspring.
1729 to 1796
Catherine the Great had her own torrid love affairs with men normally half her age.

She rewarded her lovers by appointing them to royal positions.
1869
One of the first vibrators, a steam-powered device called the "Manipulator," was invented by Dr. George Taylor to give doctors a hand in their pelvic massage treatment. It was used to cure certain illnesses, including female

hysteria.
1942
Dr. Carl Clauberg began his horrifying Nazi experiments at the Auschwitz concentration camp in which he attempted to sterilize women. Looking for a low-cost method, he decided injecting acid into their uteruses — without using anesthesia — was the best option.

1959
The first-known case of AIDS was documented in the Congo. It's assumed the virus evolved from a weaker simian immunodeficiency virus found in monkeys.
Late 1980s to early 1990s
Porn became available online through anonymous FTP servers.
1995 to 1997

Monica Lewinsky.
2010
Silvio Berlusconi hosted "Bunga Bunga" parties.
2011
Dominique Strauss-Kahn revealed that he frequented sex clubs like Paris' "Les Chandeliers" and liked rough sex, but whether or not he knew they were prostitutes depends on whom you believe.

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The song remains the same for Zep reunion: Vague



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Don't ask **Led Zeppelin** if they're getting the band back together.

Numerous reporters tried yesterday at a press conference promoting the release of their concert film, "Celebration Day," but the British rock gods dodged and weaved. "We've been thinking about all sorts of things. But we can't remember what we were thinking about," quipped lead singer **Robert Plant**. Guitarist **Jimmy Page**, bassist **John Paul Jones** and **Jason Bonham** — the son of the band's late drummer John Bonham, who played drums on the band's one-off 2007 tribute concert for friend and Atlantic Records founder **Ahmet Ertegun** — were all mute on the subject (actually, the younger Bonham never commented one way or another on the topic; he just seemed stoked to be there).

"At this time five years ago, we were rehearsing to get to the O2. If you think about the time it gets something like that to get together, it seems unlikely," said Page. He continued: "We were so happy we were getting it right and taking it beyond what we thought we were about that night. To do that four nights a week is a dif-



► Page and Plant

ferent thing entirely."

But they never said never.

So there is still hope for all you Zep fans out there (you can thank me later, **Paul Ryan**). And if you do either catch them live or see the film, keep an eye open for the band's facial expressions.

"We used to call ourselves 'The Band of Nods' because if you missed a cue you would nod — that had nothing to do with opiates," said Plant. "And now, we've turned into 'The Band of Middle-Aged Grins.'"

Celebrate

'Celebration Day'

"Celebration Day" will be released worldwide on Oct. 17. Tickets for the public screenings are available now via Ledzeppelin.com.

The feed ...

► Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Taylor Swift experiences the world in a very specific way, Jonathan Ross is taking it easy, Justin Bieber cares and Joan Rivers obviously hasn't heard of Amanda Byers.

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I feel like I'd be more understood if people knew 'I Don't Want to Miss a Thing' by Aerosmith is how most of my emotions sound in my head.

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Good morning ! I am not feeling well. But I can stay indoors all day and drink tea. So there's the silver lining right there.

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i care

@Joan_Rivers

The good news is that self-driving cars are now legal in California. The bad news is that so are the ones driven by Lindsay Lohan.



Taylor Swift

Talking points



► The rock

Aniston's huge rock

Jennifer Aniston is set to marry fiancé **Justin Theroux** — and she's got the massive engagement ring to prove it. During a recent afternoon out with Theroux in Santa Fe, N.M. — where Aniston is filming "We're the Millers" — the actress showed off a giant gem on her ring finger, according to *Us Weekly*. But while the ring may be plenty flashy, don't expect the wedding itself to be, as sources say Aniston is planning a "destination wedding ... kind of like eloping with a few friends. There will be the feeling of a vacation, since that's their favorite thing to do."

Ritchie is getting married

Guy Ritchie has proposed to his longtime girlfriend, **Jacqui**

Ainsley, according to *Us Weekly*. The "Sherlock Holmes" director and the model have been together since April 2010, and Ainsley is currently pregnant with their second child. The couple welcomed a son, **Rafael**, a year ago.

Gaga gags onstage

Justin Bieber isn't the only pop star with a weak stomach, apparently, as **Lady Gaga** found herself vomiting three times onstage while performing "Edge of Glory" during a tour stop in Barcelona recently. Gaga pressed on with the show after the episode and later made light of it, posting a link to a fan's YouTube video of the mishap and tweeting, "Was praying nobody saw but actually it's quite a good laugh if you need one!"



► Rihanna

Rihanna, Nicki Minaj lead AMA nominations

Rihanna and **Nicki Minaj** were nominated for four American Music Awards each yesterday. **Rihanna** will compete with **Justin Bieber**, **Katy Perry**, **Maroon 5** and **Drake** for artist of the year.



► Minaj

Rhi was also nominated for female soul/R&B artist and album for "Talk That Talk," and will take on Minaj in the female pop/rock artist category. Meanwhile, Minaj was also nominated for best album for "Pink Friday: Roman Reloaded" in both the pop/rock and rap/hip-hop categories this year, as well as gaining a nomination for favorite rap artist, per Reuters.



All-star booty shots, B-team books

1 Christina Aguilera obliged with a booty shot at the American Music Awards nominations press conference yesterday.

2 Joan Rivers sassed London yesterday.

3 That's a lot of dress for a little person. Keira Knightley posed with the gown she wore in "Anna Karenina," which is now on display at London's V&A Museum.

4 Ethan Hawke and wife Ryan were cute and close on the red carpet for his latest, "Sinister," Monday night in New York.

5 Who keeps buying Jenny McCarthy's books? (No, really, people: We want names.) The actress signed copies of her latest, "Bad Habits: Confessions Of A Recovering Catholic," in L.A. on Monday.

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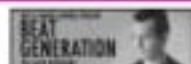
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Sixth time is a charm

- ▶ 'Resident Evil' has yet another go-round — it's not totally disappointing
- ▶ New Pokemon installments offer loads of addictive, satisfying gameplay

Sidescroller



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Video games and sequels go together like peanut butter and jelly or, um, candy corn and Oreos. Still, it takes a special franchise to weather the years and the ever-changing tastes of gamers. Two series just reached this wondrous milestone. In lieu of an anniversary party, read these reviews.

'Resident Evil 6'
Console: 360/PS3
Company: Capcom
Grade: 000000

"Resident Evil" invented the idea that you could be scared by playing a video game. Since the original launched in 1996, this constantly evolving zombie thriller has terrified legions of gamers. In recent iterations, however, the scare factor has dropped in favor of gun-toting action. "Resident Evil 6" continues this tradition. To be sure, the days of slowly creeping toward the next thrill are gone.



▶ Like killing zombies? Then "Resident Evil 6" is the game for you.



This game is polished and a pretty good game — but at the end of the day, doesn't feel like survival horror. There are still

a ton of zombies though. At least there's that.

'Pokemon Black 2' / 'Pokemon White 2'
Console: DS/3DS
Company: Nintendo
Grade: 000000

Technically, there has been a boatload of games that task you to catch 'em all. These two, however, are generally considered to be the "sixth generation" of Pokemon. They feature new characters, some new locations and, most importantly,

new Pokemon to capture and force to fight to the death. Ah, the magic of childhood.

There's a reason these games still sell like gang-busters. They are fantastic titles with an astounding amount of content. The general formula hasn't changed since the late-'90s but the gameplay still is addictive as all get-out. There's a huge world to explore and hundreds of critters to ensnare.

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'Nashville'

DRAMA. You don't have to be a country music fan to appreciate the Music City soap opera "Nashville," fall's best new drama. Connie Britton and Hayden Panettiere headline as singing superstars, established and up-and-coming, with a budding rivalry more than hinted at in the pilot. Series premiere, 10 p.m., ABC **AMBER RAY**

Sparks will fly at this circus

► How to improve 'Greatest Show on Earth'? ► Make it 'Fully Charged'

Brian Crawford may not have to walk a tightrope or ride a unicycle, but he is on the circus

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► Brian Crawford is the ringmaster for Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey's "Fully Charged" circus.

So what is life on the road like for a circus staffer?

"When you're at work, you'll walk by and see a clown practicing his juggling and a stilt walker passing by, and, oh, there's an elephant," says Crawford. He's been traveling with the show for two years this No-

vember. He says that old notion of "the circus must be in town" when you spot a weirdo is a bit of an exaggeration.

"We've settled into quite the groove, become a little community. And, obviously, we're all people and we're pretty normal when we're not at work."

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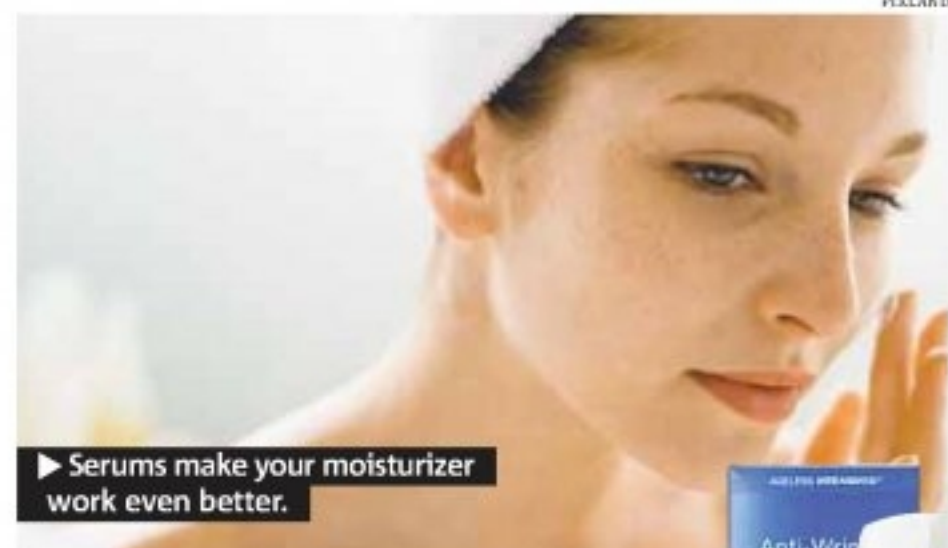
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Your mother was wrong: Health myths debunked

It's not like we'd argue with our grandmas or moms — but, really, does going outside with wet hair give you a cold? Josh Kosowsky, M.D., who works at Brigham and Women's Hospital and co-authored "When Doctors Don't Listen" (www.whendoctorsdontlisten.com), came up with answers for us.

► Going outside with a wet head gives you a cold:

"I want to believe this because experientially it feels like it's true. But it turns out it's not. Short periods of being outside with wet hair or scalp won't give you a cold."

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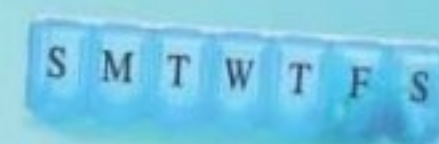
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Today in medicine

Aspirin could boost elderly brains

Study subjects: 681 women aged 70-92

Location of study: Sweden

Results: Research from a five-year study published in the online journal BMJ Open found that elderly women with a high risk of heart disease who took low dose aspirin on a daily basis had less mental decline.

Significance: As this was an observational study, the researchers couldn't predict how much use aspirin might be useful in dementia prevention or treatment, but the study indicates that aspirin has possible properties to protect the brain from age-related damage.

Genetics may lead to eating disorders

Study subjects: More than 300 female twins aged 12-22

Location of study: U.S.

Results: A study published in



the International Journal of Eating Disorders says that genetics may influence if a woman develops an eating disorder. The levels of "thin idealization"—accepting pressure to be skinny—were assessed in identical and fraternal twins. The identical twins had closer levels of "thin idealization" than the fraternal twins, suggesting that genetics played a role in their thinking.

Significance: Though researchers found that genetics influenced "thin idealization,"

environmental factors, such as exposure to images of thin models or involvement in an activity that requires thinness, also contribute to the development of eating disorders.

Genetic factor for uterine fibroids found

Study subjects: 7,000 white women

Location of study: U.S.

Results: Researchers from Brigham and Women's Hospital have isolated a genetic link for uterine fibroids in white women. The study, published in The American Journal of Human Genetics, found that the genetic variant FAS protein was triple the normal rate in the uterine fibroid samples.

Significance: Seventy-five percent of women of reproductive age have uterine fibroids, which are the most prevalent pelvic tumors in women and the leading cause of hysterectomies in the U.S. Identification of genetic risk factors could aid better screening and also personalize and therefore improve treatment.

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Facts should be flagged for review

RE: "FACTS? WE'RE TALKING ABOUT FACTS?" (METRO, OCT. 9) News columnist Michael J. Frosch raises an interesting point regarding candidates lying during televised debates. Maybe a rule change is needed. Presidential candidates should be given at least the same opportunity as NFL coaches to challenge a questionable call. Each candidate could be given one challenge flag. If Candidate A cites a questionable fact, Candidate B could throw the challenge flag. A panel of moderators would fact-check the statement and point out fabrications, misinterpretations and flat-out lies. If the statement proves untrue, Candidate A would then be embarrassed in real time, which would hopefully deter

incidents of truth-bending. Candidate B gets to keep the challenge flag for another incident. If the statement is true (or reasonably so), Candidate B loses the challenge and can't throw any more challenge flags. For added entertainment value, the networks could hire former replacement referees as moderators.

NEWMAN M. PEPYS, VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Frosch's column is a joke, and he's just another scared Democrat giving another spin on why the president did so badly in the debate. The format made it a true debate. The mainstream media resents when the president is challenged, since they will never do it. His column is never fair, always biased.

PETER MOLTER, VIA E-MAIL

Michael Frosch got it 100 percent right in his column. As was quoted, 80 million people watch the debate. And maybe 20,000 read anything about debunking the actual facts. Lessons learned for future debates:

1. Say anything you want regardless of how true it is.
2. Act presidential.
3. If your opponent calls you on your facts, see items 1 and 2.

KURT BRAUN, VIA E-MAIL

What silly people, protesting tyranny

Mitt Romney has poise, profound knowledge of business and understands the art of politics. His positive image radiates respect which is a distinctive feature of a world leader. President Obama

sounds like a skillful union organizer. Look what happened to Egypt after he had agitated group enthusiasm in Cairo a couple of years ago. **WILLY MACHAN, VIA E-MAIL**

There's just no accounting for taste

RE: "GET THESE 'FLY BY NIGHT' ARTISTS OUT OF THE 'LIMELIGHT'" (METRO, OCT. 8) I agree with letter writer Robert LaRosa that the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame has plenty of omissions, but to claim that N.W.A. and Public Enemy are not musicians is ignorant and shortsighted. Those fine artists have made some of the most exciting, raw and innovative music of all time. Music theory has not yet evolved to be capable of analyzing this great music, let alone being the sole criteria for what is considered great rock. Remember, Elvis could hardly read or write a note or barely strum his prop guitar. Should he have been omitted, too?

DEREK DEMULLING, VIA E-MAIL

Horoscope

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. Don't be reluctant to say what needs saying. You're not just a capable teacher, but an excellent salesperson as well. Others can benefit from many of your ideas and comments.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. Hunches or perceptions should not be ignored, especially if they pertain to your commercial affairs. There's a good chance your intuition will zero in on things your logic overlooks.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21. Some of your bigger expectations might have a better chance of fulfillment than will your lesser ones. It behooves you to not put any limitations on your thinking.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19. When it comes to your work or career, you could be exceptionally fortunate when working on vital projects. Don't be afraid to handle more than one task simultaneously.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19. Something in which you're involved has excellent potential for success, as long as it's reorganized. This is an especially good day to take some time to make improvements.

♓ Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. There is a good chance that you could reap some rather substantial benefits from shifting conditions. Even a few

sudden changes could prove to be lucky for you.

♈ Aries March 21-April 19. Things could work out quite well in a partnership situation, if the ideas you have mesh well with the course of action your partner wants to take.

♉ Taurus April 20-May 20. You are likely to discover that what you have to offer, whether it is an idea or a product, could be more valuable than you first realized. Rethink the deal you made with another.

♊ Gemini May 21-June 20. You won't just be a good leader, you're also likely to be a very capable manager. Make sure you're both when dealing with sticky situations.

♋ Cancer June 21-July 22. Things will work out in the long run if you are patient enough to wait it out. Don't get disturbed over a matter that gets off track — it's just a temporary mishap.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 22. Because you'll know how to make everyone you encounter feel that he or she is special, your popularity is likely to reach a high point. You'll deserve the pats on the back you receive.

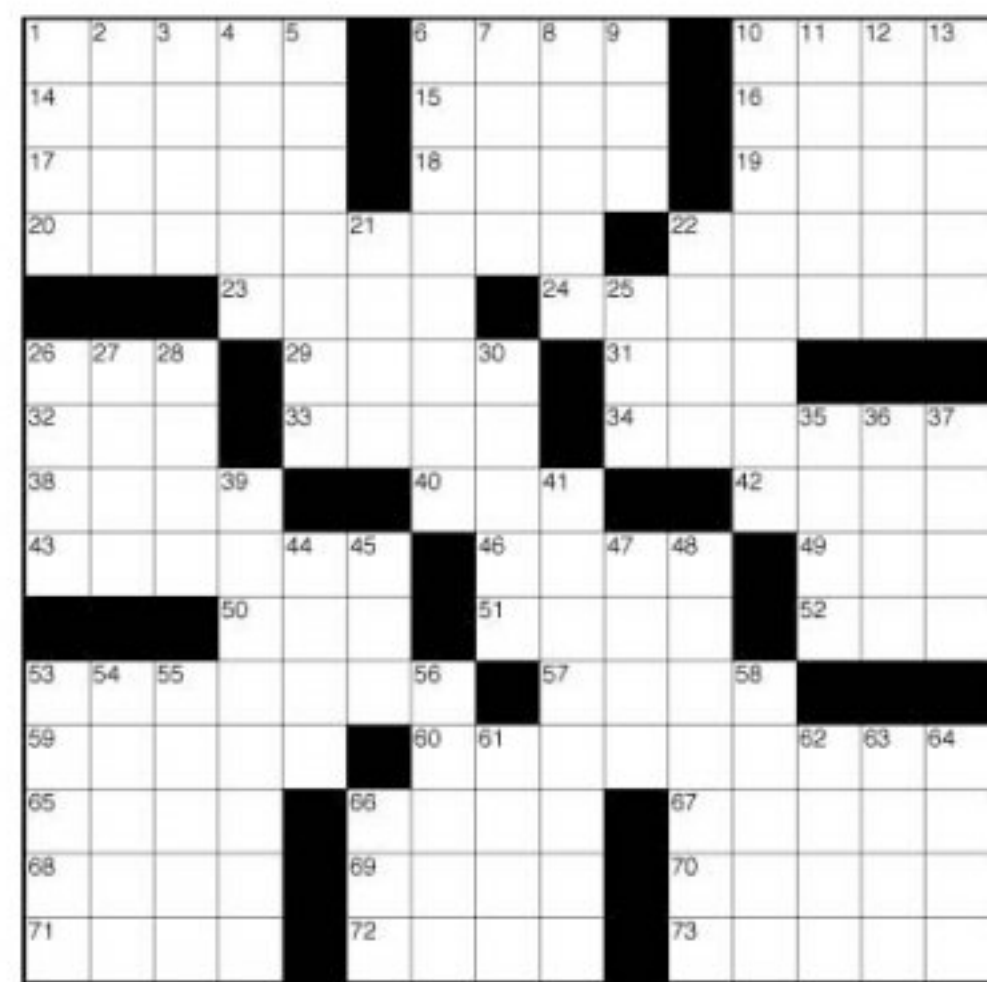
♍ Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Although it might come as a surprise, Lady Luck will tend to favor you. The two areas in which she is likely to reward you pertain to your status and finances.

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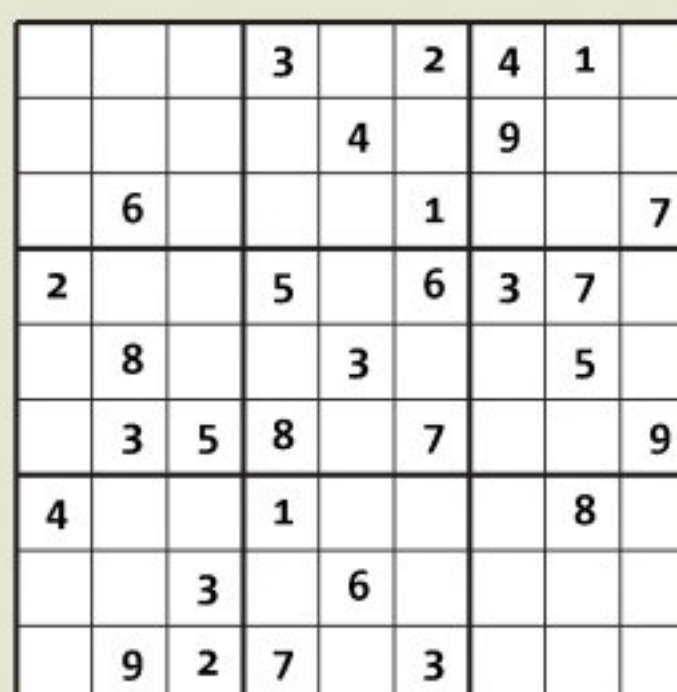
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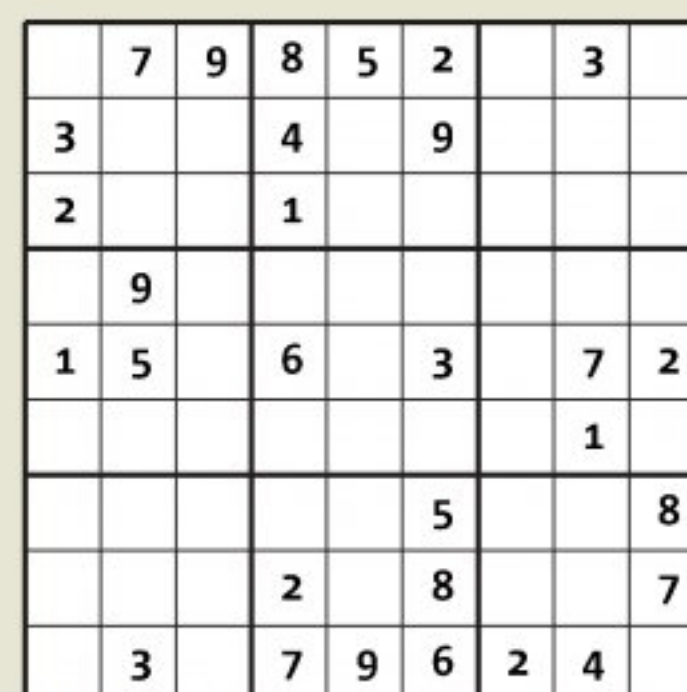
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- 10 Tall beer glass
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- 12 Car-wash step
- 13 Paired, as oxen
- 21 Bismarck loc.
- 22 Economic upturn
- 25 Elf-sized
- 26 Go like a siren
- 27 Currency established in 1999
- 28 Ring stats
- 30 Grenoble's river
- 35 Solar plexus
- 36 Oprah's middle name
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- 39 Kearney's place
- 41 Not openly
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- 45 Grab some rays
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Metro's NFL Power Rankings | by Mike Greger

**FALCONS (5-0)**

There is something special brewing in Hotlanta. Matt Ryan continues to scream MVP — with the best receiving corps in football (Roddy White, Julio Jones, Tony Gonzalez) — and a ball-hawking defense that leads in takeaway/giveaway ratio at plus-10. They showed a nasty streak to RGIII as well. Plus, this team knows how to win tight games, as evidenced by its 24-17 victory this past weekend in Washington, which will help them come playoff time.



► Former Patriots corner Asante Samuel

**TEXANS (5-0)**

Settled for too many field goals Monday night, but that zone blocking scheme, especially on the back side (right Jon Gruden?) is fun to watch.

**49ERS (4-1)**

That's 79 points in last two wins. With Alex Smith protecting ball (one turnover) and a lights-out defense, Niners show no sign of slowing down.

**RAVENS (4-1)**

Showed they can win ugly, and that one last week was as ugly as they come. Harbaugh Bowl still very much alive, so long as they shore up that porous run defense.

**PATRIOTS (3-2)**

Bill Belichick is pounding the rock (254 rushing yards last week) all of a sudden, and no one can adjust. Pats have most explosive/well-balanced offense in the NFL. Gronkowski's hiccups don't lie.

**CARDINALS (4-1)**

We'll stick with Cards for another week. They were due for a loss. Got to stop losing starting running backs, though. Where's Ottis Anderson?

**VIKINGS (4-1)**

Matty Ice is still front-runner, but you could make a legitimate case for Percy Harvin as MVP. He's definitely the most explosive player right now, able to change games with one cut.

**BEARS (4-1)**

Monsters of the Midway are back. The defense, with five TDs already, can out-score more than a few offenses — ahem, the Jets — in this league.

**EAGLES (3-2)**

They lost a game they weren't supposed to win and nearly won it after playing well below their potential. Memo to Mike Vick: Ball security is everything. And fumbles don't ever happen for a reason.

**GIANTS (3-2)**

You don't want to get Ahmad Bradshaw (200 yards) angry. You won't like him when he's angry. Giants showed lot of fight in comeback win.

**SEAHAWKS (3-2)**

Finally put "scabgate" behind them in much-needed win. Trust the Pete Carroll Guide to Winning, which includes an aggressive defense with a sound run game.

**STEELERS (2-2)**

Big Ben is best QB on third down, proving it twice on morale-killing final drive. The fact that Rashard Mendenhall looks healthy adds extra juice.

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In the news

**No-go Lowell**

Former Red Sox post-season hero Mike Lowell told WEEI.com yesterday that he has no interest in throwing his hat in the ring for an open MLB managerial position.

"If any team called me right now I would be extremely flattered, but it wouldn't be for me right now," Lowell said.

Lowell had been thought of as a dark-horse candidate for the Red Sox vacant job.

Red Sox ready to talk Ortiz

The Red Sox aren't fully prepared to distance themselves from all links to the recent past.

According to ESPN, a team source said that serious conversations with David Ortiz regarding a new contract will begin "at some point next week."

Red Sox GM Ben Cherington recently discussed the situation with ESPN.

"David is someone who



► David Ortiz

we feel strongly about bringing back and we're trying to figure out a way to do that and we hope that happens," Cherington said.

Ortiz, the only player remaining from the 2004 World Series championship team, hit .318 with 23 homers and 60 RBIs in 90 games this past season. The slugger was already playing on a one-year deal and voiced his displeasure at one point during the 2012 season about the organization's hesitation in locking him up long-term. Ortiz is now 36 years old.

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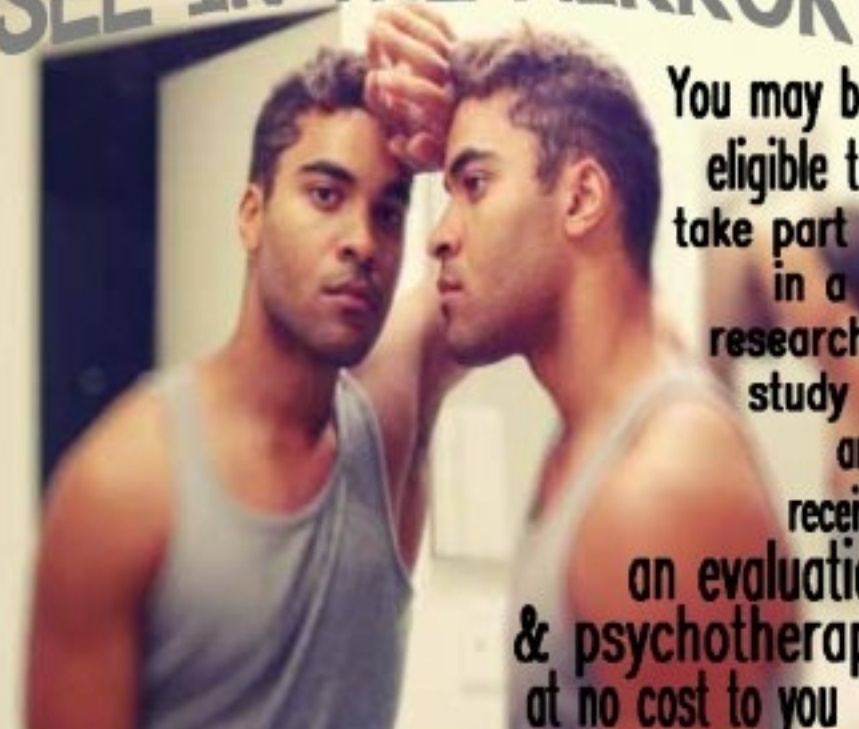
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► **Clean the gutters:** Gutters collect leaves and twigs that block rainwater and melting snow from flowing freely. If melting ice can't drain, it seeps into the walls and ceilings of your home and can damage the foundation. In addition to cleaning out the debris, have gutter protection installed, advises John Stephenson, vice president of marketing for home exterior manufacturers Ply Gem. He recommends a continuous hanging system such as Ply Gem's Gutter Warrior, which is strong enough to withstand high winds and heavy amounts of snow and ice.

► **Check your windows:** Now is the time to make sure your windows are in order, advises Chris Pickering, vice president

Tip

If your window frames are in good condition but you have single-pane glass and want a more modern and energy-efficient double-pane glass, you need to pick up a sash replacement system, says Pickering.

of marketing for Ply Gem Windows. He recommends walking around your home on a windy day to see if there are any breezy spots and to check for cracks in window frames. "If you do notice a draft coming in, one easy fix is to pick up some weather stripping at your local hardware store," says Pickering. "Expanding foam is another option — but it's crucial to make sure you get 'low expansion,' which is designed for windows and doors. Also, make sure to caulk cracks from the outside. A more advanced project, for someone with a bit

of carpentry skill, would be to add storm windows for extra protection." However, if your windows are in really bad shape, you'll want to do a full replacement. "That's when you call up an expert," says Pickering. Those living in the East Coast should get windows with an Energy Star Rating for the Northern Climate Zone. This has a U factor of 0.30 or below.

► **Get your heating system serviced:** "Just as a tune-up can improve gas mileage or a car's performance, a yearly tune-up of the heating system can improve efficiency," says Myles Meehan, senior vice president of emergency repair provider HomeServe USA. "Cold temperatures cause central heating systems to work harder to supply warm air throughout the home. Now is the time to schedule a tune-up with a certified HVAC technician to ensure everything is working and prevent the hassle of repairs in the dead of winter." ● METRO



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It might be Tom Brady's idea of home comforts, but a super automated toilet that costs more than \$4,000 might be a bit much for the average household. One such superloo is among many features on display at the 2012 South Shore Living Idea Home in Carver, this weekend.

Set in Kingsbury Hollow, among woodland and cranberry bogs on conservation land, the Idea Home pairs a quiet rural lifestyle with hi-tech, low-maintenance living.

"It's fun to learn about all these hi-tech amenities," says Beth Patkoske, project coordinator for the Davenport Building Company, the developers of the project. "It's so beautiful, set above cranberry bogs. I was there last week when they were harvesting."

The Idea Home is about taking the sting out of everyday life via comfort-adding, energy-saving gadgets — like a Control4 home automation system that allows for remote lighting, temperature and even TV ad-



► The 2012 South Shore Living Idea Home is set above cranberry bogs. It also has a very expensive bog in the house.



► The den shown in this photo ...

justment from computers, tablets or smartphones. There's also The Nest "learning" thermostat, which measures temperature, humidity, light and activity while adjusting to homeowners' routines.

Eco-saving features includes IceStone Kitchen countertops made from recycled glass and concrete and an induction stove top that boils water faster than gas but remains cool to the touch. Perhaps the best feature is the hidden "bookcase" door in the living room that leads to a secret den.

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